

4-1.3 DECISION NO. D-22

NITROUS OXIDE GUIDELINES

Issue:

Guidelines are needed for design and installation of nitrous oxide delivery systems in Indian Health Service health care facilities where they may be required, e.g., Special Procedure Dental Operatories, etc.

Decision:

The Health Facilities Advisory Committee reviewed the draft Indian Health Service Technical Handbook Chapter, "Nitrous Oxide Guidelines," and approved it for inclusion in the Technical Handbook, following editorial revision.

The Health Facilities Advisory Committee recommended the following: for future Indian Health Service health care facilities, the Health Facilities Planning Manual shall include a provision to designate areas for the administration and use of nitrous oxide such as Special Procedure Dental Operatories, etc., whether supply is by portable units or piped.

Reference:

Copies of the draft chapter can be obtained from the Office of Environmental Health and Engineering, Division of Facilities Planning and Construction. This document will be issued as part of Chapter 21-1.2, Part 21, Volume III, of the Technical Handbook for Environmental Health and Engineering.

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